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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Line 37 : 'required for assessment of' not assessments Line 81: Cashew trees selected were 8 yr old, but it cannot be rectangular (the plot might be rectangular) – make appropriate correction Line 91: Selected trees have an average diameter of 20.68 cm? Diameter of the trunk at what height? Be specific! Lines 93-94: what were the criteria of selection of leaves – young or mature – which leaf from the bud? Whether all the leaves exposed to sun light or some shaded? The authors have done a systematic work but with methodological faults. The aim was to understand the leaf area and dry weight of leaves in trees in relation to their position in a plantation. But the authors have studied only a single plantation of of 3.5 ha to generalize the facts. Such a data is quite insufficient to make generalization made in the conclusion	Line 37 : Ok we corrected Line 81: Ok we corrected Line 91: Lines 93-94: Ok we corrected For such study, we believe that the results obtained on a small area can be generalized over a large area. The question that will be addressed later in the work is to determine among others the minimum area for which the models will be identical for all positions. We will also consider other sites for further work.



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	Therefore, the authors need to collect more data to establish the claims However, with explanations of limitations in their data collection, they may be able to present the article as a short communication.	
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	NA	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Need to collect more data for generalization claims presented in the article	